

otherwise providing for centers that are in residences or other facilities and serve between ~~{-7-}~~ 8 and 12 children and facilities having ~~{-6-}~~ 8 or fewer children required to be licensed under § 5-574 of this Part VII;

(6) carry out otherwise the purposes and requirements of this Part VII, including imposition of intermediate sanctions to ensure compliance; and

(7) prohibit a child from remaining at a child care center for more than 14 hours in 1 day unless the Department issues an exception for that child based on guidelines set by the Secretary.

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(b) (1) [This section does not apply to a family day care home registered under §§ 5-550 through 5-557 of this Article.

(2) This section does not apply to:

(i) the instructional program, curriculum, or teacher, principal, or administrator qualifications of a nursery school or A child care center that is operated by a [religious organization] ~~BONA----FIDE---CHURCH---ORGANIZATION~~ RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION THAT IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER ARTICLE 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1954 in a school building exclusively for children who are enrolled in that school; [or]

(ii) a nonpublic nursery school operated by a [religious organization] ~~BONA-FIDE-CHURCH~~ TAX EXEMPT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION that has been issued a certificate of approval by the State Department of Education; OR

(III) A NONPUBLIC NURSERY SCHOOL OPERATED BY A BONA-FIDE-CHURCH TAX EXEMPT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION THAT:

1. COMPLIES WITH THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND

2. HAS BEEN ISSUED A LETTER OF COMPLIANCE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES; OR

~~{+++}~~ (IV) A PROGRAM THAT IS OPERATED BY A ~~BONA FIDE--CHURCH~~ TAX EXEMPT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION WHILE THE ORGANIZATION IS CONDUCTING A RELIGIOUS SERVICE, BUSINESS MEETING, OR OTHER ~~CHURCH~~ RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION FUNCTION IN THE ORGANIZATION'S BUILDING AND WHICH PROGRAM IS EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHILDREN WHOSE WHERE PARENTS ARE ATTENDING THE SERVICE OR MEETING.

(C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, IF A CHILD CARE CENTER FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN IS OPERATED BEFORE AND AFTER